

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed March 9, 2007 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claims 1-19 stand rejected. Claim 20 is objected to.

The rejection of Claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Mayuzumi et al. (U.S. Patent 5,781,191) ("Mayuzumi") is respectfully traversed.

Mayuzumi describes systems that reproduce operation guidance information. In one embodiment, a system includes a bank note depositing/paying apparatus (20), a sensor control unit (20E), an input unit (40), a reproducing unit (42), a multi-media database (43), an error information record control unit (44), an error information storing unit (45), a multi-media information search control unit (46), and a multi-media help control unit (47) (See Figure 6). When the sensor control unit (20E) detects an error occurrence at the apparatus (20), the multi-media help control unit (47) causes the error information record control unit (44) to search the error information storing unit (45) to extract error information according to a corresponding error code (part codes). The multi-media information search control unit (46) searches the multi-media database (43) according to the error information, and reproduces corresponding multi-media information (part information, help information, etc.). Notably, error codes and corresponding multi-media information of errors generating in apparatus (20) are stored beforehand.

Claim 1 recites a computer system including "a plurality of clients, each said client comprising a plurality of user interface classes and at least one class that provides access to a database . . . a server comprising a plurality of servlets, at least some of said servlets providing at least one of a database and server access capability to each said client . . . and said database comprising a plurality of tables, at least one of said tables comprising at least one error proofing example entered by a user and meta-data entered by the user that describes the at least one error proofing example, wherein said meta-data comprises at least one of an error stage and an error type, at least one of said tables further comprising at least one failure mode associated with the error proofing example, the error proofing example including at least one failure mode and meta-data defined by the user when creating the at least one error

proofing example wherein said database accessed by each said client via said server, wherein at least one of said plurality of user interface classes initializes and displays at least one form that provides the user access to input additional error proofing examples based on user privileges defined by an administrator.”

Mayuzumi does not describe nor suggest a computer system as is recited in Claim 1. More specifically, Mayuzumi does not describe nor suggest a computer system including a user interface class that initializes and displays at least one form that provides the user access to input additional error proofing examples based on user privileges defined by an administrator. Rather, in contrast to the present invention, Mayuzumi describes a system that reproduces pre-stored operation guidance information based on a detected error in a bank note depositing/paying apparatus.

Accordingly, for at least the reasons set forth above, Claim 1 is submitted to be patentable over Mayuzumi.

Claims 2-12 depend, directly or indirectly, from independent Claim 1. When the recitations of Claims 2-12 are considered in combination with the recitations of Claim 1, Applicants submit that dependent Claims 2-12 likewise are patentable over Mayuzumi.

Claim 13 recites a method for identifying an error proofing technique including “using at least one interface class to provide access to a database, wherein the at least one user interface class initializes and displays at least one form that provides the user access to input additional error proofing example based on user privileges defined by an administrator . . . using at least some of the servlets to provide at least one of database and server access capability to a client . . . entering at least one error proofing example by a user and meta-data entered by the user to describe the error-proofing example, wherein the meta-data includes at least one of an error stage and an error type . . . accessing a table containing at least one of the error proofing examples; storing failure modes in the table associated with the at least one error proofing example . . . and choosing the error proofing technique to fit the given application.”

Mayuzumi does not describe nor suggest a method for identifying an error proofing technique as is recited in Claim 13. More specifically, Mayuzumi does not describe nor suggest a method including using at least one interface class to provide access to a database,

wherein the at least one user interface class initializes and displays at least one form that provides the user access to input additional error proofing examples based on user privileges defined by an administrator. Rather, in contrast to the present invention, Mayuzumi describes a method for reproducing pre-stored operation guidance information based on a detected error in a bank note depositing/paying apparatus.

Accordingly, for at least the reasons set forth above, Claim 13 is submitted to be patentable over Mayuzumi.

Claims 14-19 depend, directly or indirectly, from independent Claim 13. When the recitations of Claims 14-19 are considered in combination with the recitations of Claim 13, Applicants submit that dependent Claims 14-19 likewise are patentable over Mayuzumi.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully request that the Section 102 rejection of Claims 2-19 be withdrawn.

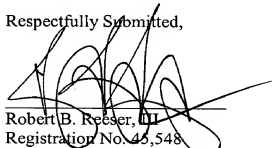
The objection to Claim 20 is respectfully traversed.

Claim 20 was indicated as being allowable if “rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.” Claim 20 depends, directly or indirectly, from independent Claim 13 which is submitted to be in condition for allowance. When the recitations of Claim 20 are considered in combination with the recitations of Claim 13, Applicants submits that dependent Claim 20 likewise is in condition for allowance.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants request that the objection to Claim 20 be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all the claims now active in this application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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